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## **Counselor II Clinical Social Worker Forensic Unit**

Central State Hospital, a JCAHO accredited psychiatric facility is currently seeking an organized, experienced and professionally trained Clinical Social Worker for our Forensic Unit to provide a full array of social work services to adults who are adjudicated Not Guilty by Reason of Insanity, undergoing evaluation for competency to stand trial, restoration to competency and/or emergency treatment on an acute care ward in a large public mental health hospital. To provide advanced psychosocial assessment services, advanced level of casework and therapeutic services to an assigned case load of mentally ill inpatients, ages 18-64, to increase the likelihood of a favorable in hospital as well as eventual out of hospital jail or community adjustment. Developing comprehensive assessments; providing individual and supportive group therapy services; participating as a member of a treatment team; working with families, courts, attorneys and other agencies involved with persons referred for treatment and/or evaluation by the Community Services Boards and legal systems; assisting with preparing reports to courts; maintaining medical records documentation of services being provided; and presenting testimonial information when necessary.

Qualifications: A Master's Degree in Human Services, preferably in Social Work, and previous work related experience with mentally ill, culturally diverse, forensic and substance abuse populations are preferred. Ability to provide case management and coordinate resources for patients. Providing individual and group educational/supportive/insight counseling as well a family therapy. Interviewing and gathering pertinent information from patients and family. Developing goals and implementing treatment plans according to patient needs and problems, both individually and in conjunction with interdisciplinary teams. Knowledgeable in NASW Code of Ethics and standards of practice. Perform duties at a fast pace with frequent change. Must also be highly flexible, organized and able to tolerate aggressive and intimidating behaviors, have a willingness to work as a team player under high volume pressured deadlines, possess strong verbal and written communication skills, and be task centered and knowledgeable of the mental health system. Familiarity with the Commonwealth of Virginia's Criminal Statutes and computers are preferred.

An extensive background investigation, employment references, and drug testing will be conducted. Pay Band 4 \$28,987-\$59,492. Position number 00036. State applications must be received by Friday, August 25, 2006. **NOTE:** Resumes may accompany but will not substitute for a completed State Application Form (DHRM 10-012).

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